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State Supreme Court upholds Cassis legislation

LANSING - The Michigan Supreme Court Wednesday backed an appeals court ruling supporting legislation by state Sen. Nancy Cassis permitting Henry Ford Health System and St. John Health to transfer beds to underserved areas in West Bloomfield and Novi.

“It’s a great victory,” said Cassis, R-Novi. “I maintained all along that the language I drafted was constitutional and would withstand court challenges.”

Cassis sponsored language in Public Act 619 of 2002 that allowed the hospitals a one-time opportunity to transfer beds.

“It’s a great day for area residents who can take comfort in knowing that full-service medical facilities will soon be closer to home,” Cassis said.

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